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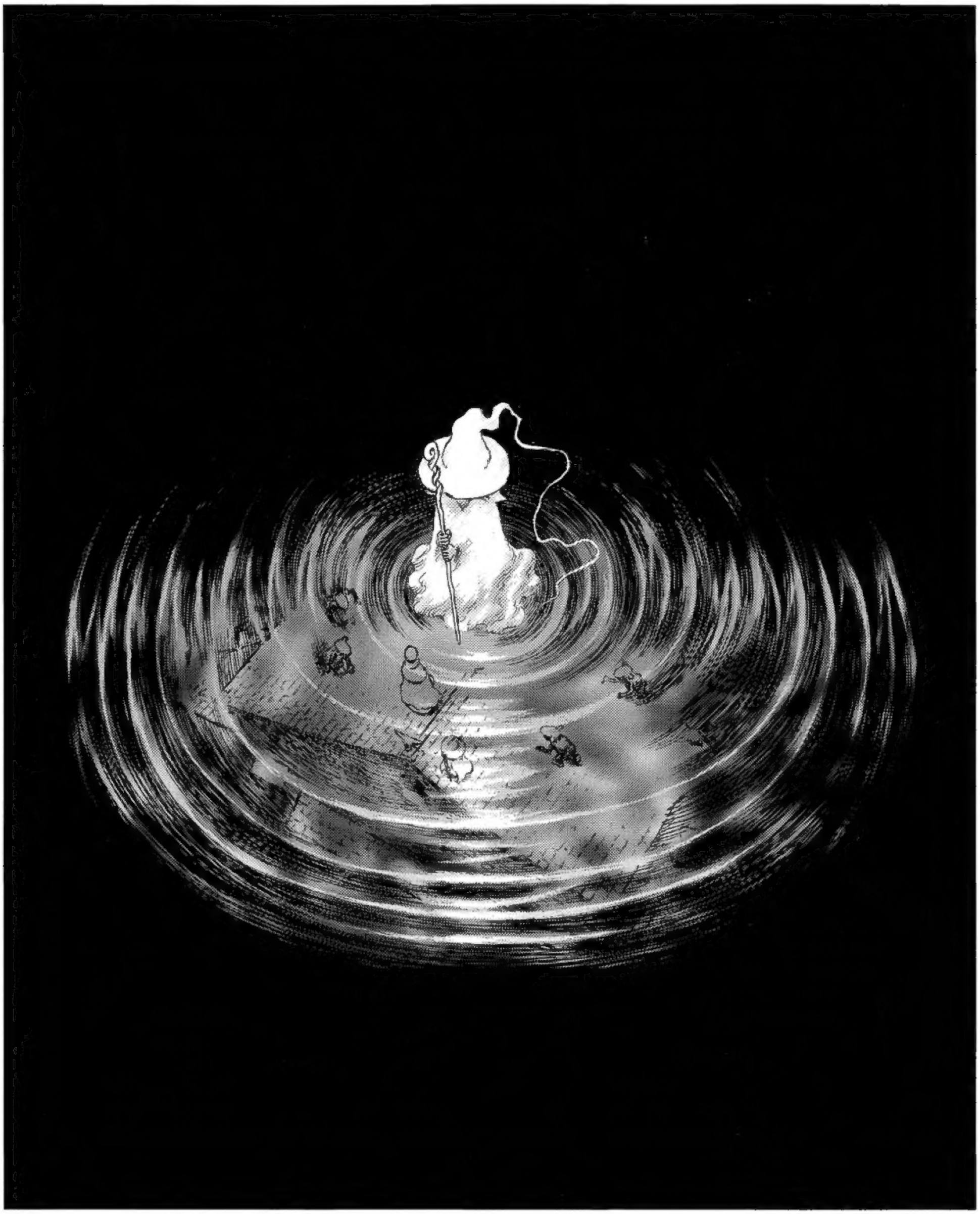

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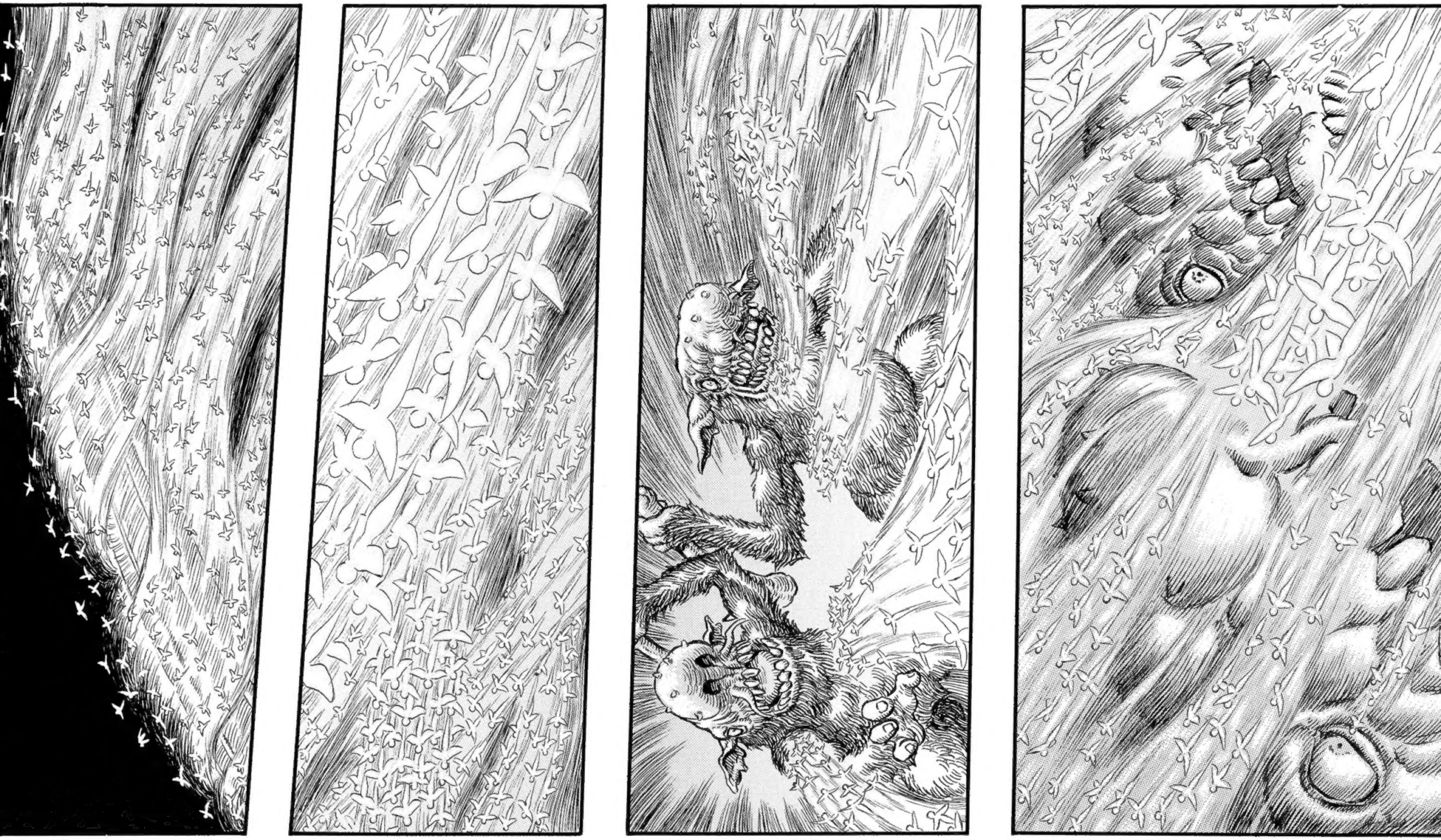


魔法の剣
MAGIC SWORD

*WSSSSH

*GHEE?

*GWEH?

*FX: SPLIT

*DOOSH

SWEET!

HE SLASHED THE TROLLS TO PIECES WITHOUT TOUCHING THEM?!

WHAT HAPPENED ?!

WH-WHAT WAS *THAT...?!*

*GHEE
ギギッ
*GYOW
ギョワ
AIIEEE!
*SSSSS
シュルル
YOU ARE MORE FIERCE...
...THAN I HAD EXPECTED ...
...SPIRITS.
*WSSSS
*HYNNN
*CHONK
*VOMMM
*CHFF.
*SSSSSSS

*VNNN

NOW, HURRY!

OH, THANK YOU!

*FWOHH

*VOSSSH

ギョワ?

*FX: GYOW?

カラン。

*FX: KTANK

*FX: VWASSH

*FX: HYNN

*FX: PROK

GOT 'EM!!

*DLCH

ドカ

SO AMAZING IS REAL MAGIC...

QUITE HEARTENING IN A FIGHT AGAINST MONSTERS.

REAL MAGIC ...!

IT'S MAGIC.

MAGIC...

HEY! PERFECT!

I'LL BE DAMNED IF *YOU'RE* GONNA HAVE ALL THE FUN!

SERPICO ...

WIND'S WHERE IT'S AT. WIND'S THE BOMB.

HOH...

I GOTTA TEST THIS THING'S POWER!

*FX: ROHHHH

LET'S GO, FIRE!

うおお

HE'S MINE! DON'T JUMP IN!

でぇぇ

*DMP DMP DMP

*SWARM
*SWARM
*SWARM
KNEW IT.
NO FIRE!
*PSHOON
*GEH
*GEH
*GEH
*GEH
EVERYONE, PLEASE HURRY AND GO!!
JUST ONE AT A TIME!!
*HYNN
GO AWAY! GO AWAY!
*WHIP

ZHFAA

FLINCH

DAMMIT! S'ALL RIGHT FOR YOU!

BOLT

RUN! OR YOU'LL BE EATEN!

OH, IT WORKED.

'TWEREN'T VERY COOL.

DM

DM

DM

DM

GYAW

GYAW

*PSHHH

*FX: SHLOK

*GYAHHH

*FX PYNN PYNN

PATHETIC.

DEMONS, BEGONE!

*GYAHHH

*GYAHHH

*FX: TWITCH

*FX: ZHA ZHA ZHA ZHA ZHA

*FX: INCH

*CHOMP

THAT'S NOT CLITTIN' IT!!

NO INDEED!

*ZHAKA

*ZHAKA

*SHRIP

*SHRIP

YIIICK.

UGHHH!
THEY'RE EATIN' THEIR OWN WOUNDED?!

WELL, IF YOU DON'T WANT TO END UP LIKE THAT, RUN!

*FX: BMP

CASCA!

OOOG

*ZHFA

ヒヒヒ

*HALT

AGHHHH!

*GRAB

*NGHEE

ギギ!

*OMMM

ぶぶぶ。

.....?

*WSSSSSH

ハア

...LAID DOWN HER LIFE FOR SOMEONE ELSE.

LADY FARNESE...

COME ON, STAND UP!

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!

Y-YES.

CLUMSY!

.....

*SWARM

*SWARM

*SWARM

!

*FX: GEH GEH GEH GEH

I WILL OPEN A PATH FOR ESCAPE. PLEASE MAKE FOR THE CHURCH.

GONNA HOG ALL THE FUN AGAIN, HUH?!

TCH!

SWARMIN'.

IT WOULD SEEM THE TALISMANIC POWER OF THE SILVER IS WORKING.

EVERYONE, HURRY INSIDE!!

LOOK!!

SOMEONE'S SURROUNDED!!

I DID WARN THEM.

FOOLS.

A PITY, THEY'RE DONE FOR NOW.

THEY'RE THAT WITCH'S COMPANIONS! THEY STAYED BACK SO WE COULD ESCAPE!

!

"FLAPA"

THE HAND OF MAN IS *NO MATCH* FOR THOSE THINGS!!

IMBECILE !!

*GCHAK

BE NOT RASH!!

*GCHAK

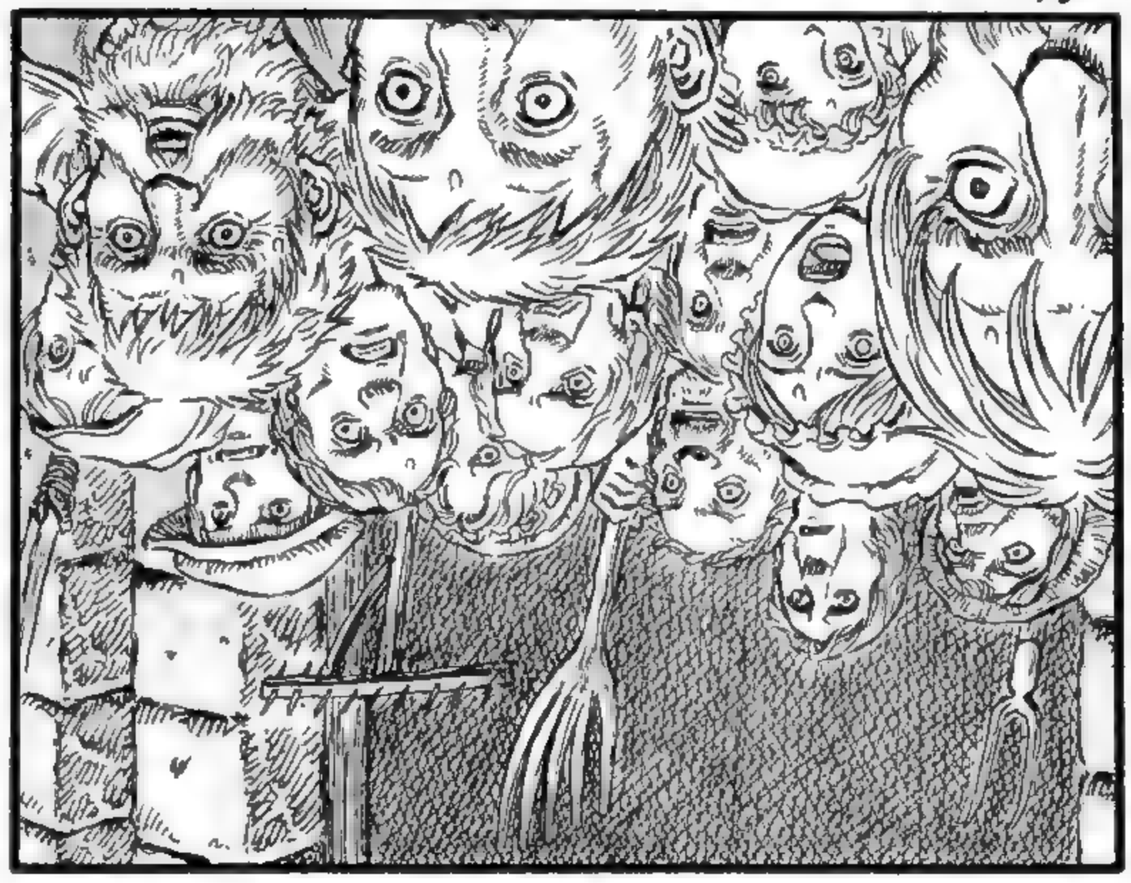
*GCHAK

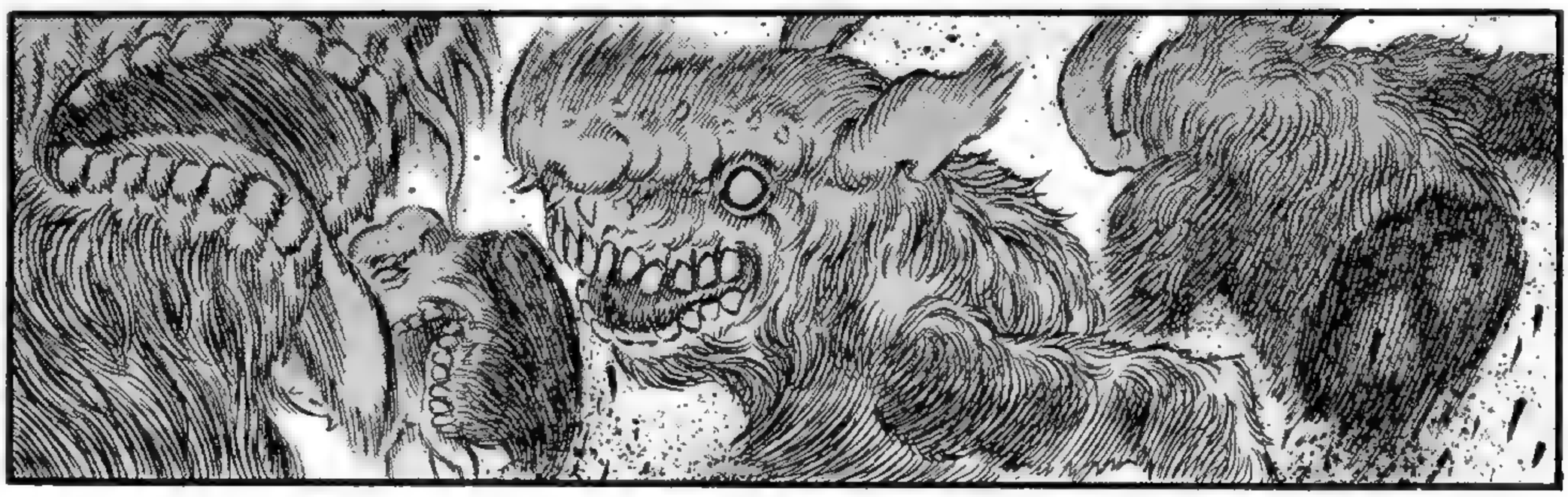
*GYAW!

*FX: GOOSH

*FX: GYAHHH GYAHHH

*FX: DOSH





WHAM.

MIRROR OF SIN
罪の鏡

BERSERK

FX

*FX. GWAH

*FX FSAA

*FX GYNN

*FX JHAK

*GYAW

*VNN

*GHEE!
GHEE!

SSSSS

ROHHHHH

ギャ！ GYAHHH

GYAHHH ギャ！

GYAHHH ギャ！

.....!!

D-DID YOU SEE THAT, FATHER?!

THAT MAN COULD ...

WOW ...!

HE'S GOOD ...

...DRIVE THE TROLLS OUT OF HERE!!

RUN TO THE CHURCH!

THIS IS OUR CHANCE!

GHEE ギィィィ！

UCK! NASTY!

AND THAT WOULD BE WHY HE HAS NO NEED OF MAGIC...

HUMAN WIND-MILL.

HEH!

IGNORANT *SAPS!* BET THAT OPENED THEIR EYES!

SERVES 'EM RIGHT.

THAT MANY TROLLS, AND WITHOUT MAGIC!

I CAN'T TELL WHICH SIDE'S MORE MONSTROUS!

.....

WHOA, WHOA! THAT GUY'S AMAZIN'!

HE IS SUPER-HUMAN.

TRUE...

IS THIS ANOTHER RESULT OF HIM REMAINING IN THE INTERSTICE, WHERE IT'S EASY FOR THE MIND TO AFFECT MATTER? OR...

...THAT SWORD...

...THAT SHADOW THAT COILS ABOUT...

EVERY-ONE! AH HH!

!

I STUCK THE CHARM, JUST LIKE YOU SAID...

...ON THE WALL, IN THE DIRECTION YOU TOLD ME.

*FX: HHHHH

YOU KNOW IT!

ARE WE PREPARED, IVALERA?

SHE'S ALL NER-VOUS.

ALL RIGHT...

フウウ...

フ?

*GIGGLE

I WILL *NOW* USE MAGIC TO EXTEND A BULWARK AROUND THIS CHURCH.

EVERYONE, PLEASE MAKE HASTE INSIDE.

.....

SHE'S HERE WITH YONDER SWORDS-MAN.

IN THAT CASE...

I SAW THEM. THE GIRL'S COMPANIONS TORE THROUGH THOSE TROLLS WITHOUT EVEN LAYING A HAND ON 'EM!!

SHE SAID "MAGIC" ...

OF ALL THE CURSED ...!!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING UP THERE?!

PLEASE, GO AND DRAG THAT GIRL DOWN IMMEDI-ATELY!!

UH, WELL ...

CHIEF !!

THE FACT REMAINS THAT IT'S *DANGEROUS* HERE! EVERYONE INSIDE, HURRY!!

ARGHH! ENOUGH !!

...BUY ME SOME TIME.

PLEASE...

HOY!

YOU SHOULD JUST STAND BACK AND THROW BERRIES.

I DON'T THINK SO!

H-HEY, YOU PEOPLE ...!!

LADY FARNESE, INSIDE AS WELL, PLEASE!! CASCA'S CARE IS IN YOUR HANDS!!

*HYONNNG

I BE-SEECH YOU...

...SPIRITS...

*FX· WRL WRL WRL WRL WRL

*GYAAA

*GYAAA

*PYN

*PYN

GO AWAY! GO AWAY!!

RIGHT, RIGHT, KEEP IT STEADY.

MAYDAY! MAYDAY!

HN GA HH H!

*GYAWWW!

EEEEK!

MAGIC USERS!!

.....

OLD MAN MORGAN REALLY BROUGHT THEM HERE.

LOOK!! HE CLIT DOWN TROLLS WITHOLIT TOUCHING THEM!!

REAL MAGIC!!

IT-IT'S REAL!!

OORAH!

*RAHHH!

*ROHHH

*RAHHH

*RAHHH

*ZHUNK

*VYNN

!

*FWASS

FATHER ?!

I WILL NOT PERMIT SUCH BEHAVIOR IN THIS HOUSE OF THE LORD.

MAGIC?! ABSO-LUTELY RIDICU-LOUS!!

.....!!

YODO HEGH VAU HEGH.

THAT PRIEST, HE'S--

STOP THAT!!

SUCH A WICKED DEED AS *THIS* BEFORE *GOD...!!*

NO! NEVER!!

WE'RE BUSY RIGHT NOW SO KEEP BACK, BUDDY!

HEY, WHAT GIVES ?!

WHO DO YOU THINK SCHIERKE'S *DOIN'* THIS FOR...?!

WHAT'RE YOU TALKIN' ABOUT?!

OH, YOU MAKE ME MAD!

*WHEP

AGHH!

COME DOWN FROM HERE THIS INSTANT!!

!

YOU ARE THE ONE WHO MUST STOP!!

GRAHH !!

I'M TELLING YOU TO *STOP!!*

CAN YOU NOT SEE THAT?!

THAT GIRL IS ATTEMPTING TO PROTECT THE VILLAGE!!

...IF IT'S BECAUSE I RELIED UPON SOME WICKED INTERVENTION, WHAT WOULD IT MEAN?!

EVEN SHOULD I LIVE UNTIL THE FULLNESS OF MY DAYS...

SILENCE !!

WE WERE SAVED, TOO!!

WITH HER MAGIC SHE CAN DO IT...!!

THIS VILLAGE SHOULD ENTRUST ALL TO THE FATE GOD HAS ASSIGNED IT!!

THIS IS THE *WILL* OF GOD!!

...THE SAME.

THIS MAN'S...

...IN THE NAME OF GOD.

SENDING PEOPLE TO THEIR DEATHS...

...OLD ME.

THE SAME AS THE...

...NO RIGHT TO SPEAK...

I HAVE...

*TUG

クイ

AUUU

.....

*TAK

THERE'S NO TIME TO BE UNSURE!!

SO MY WORDS MEAN NOTHING TO YOU?!

*FX: GRAB

SCHIERKE'S IN A TRANCE WHILE SHE'S CHANTIN'!!

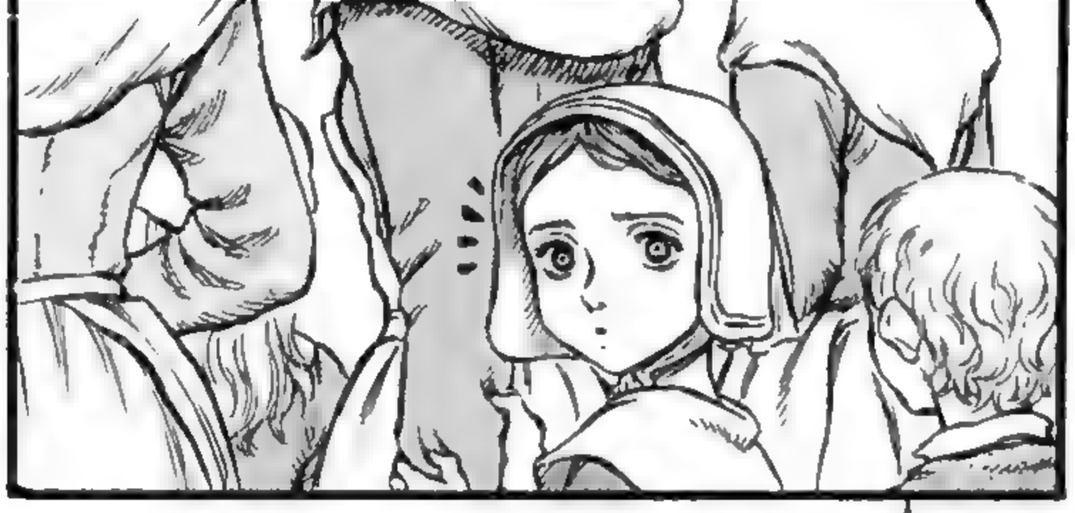
STOP HIIIM!!

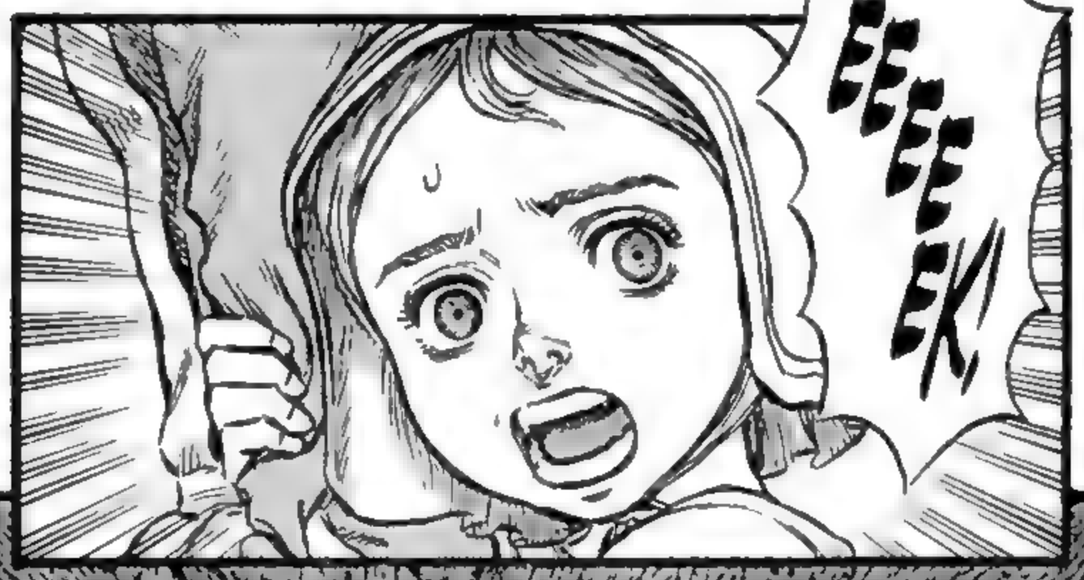
!

DON'T INTERFERE!!

LET GO OF HER!!

*GRRR

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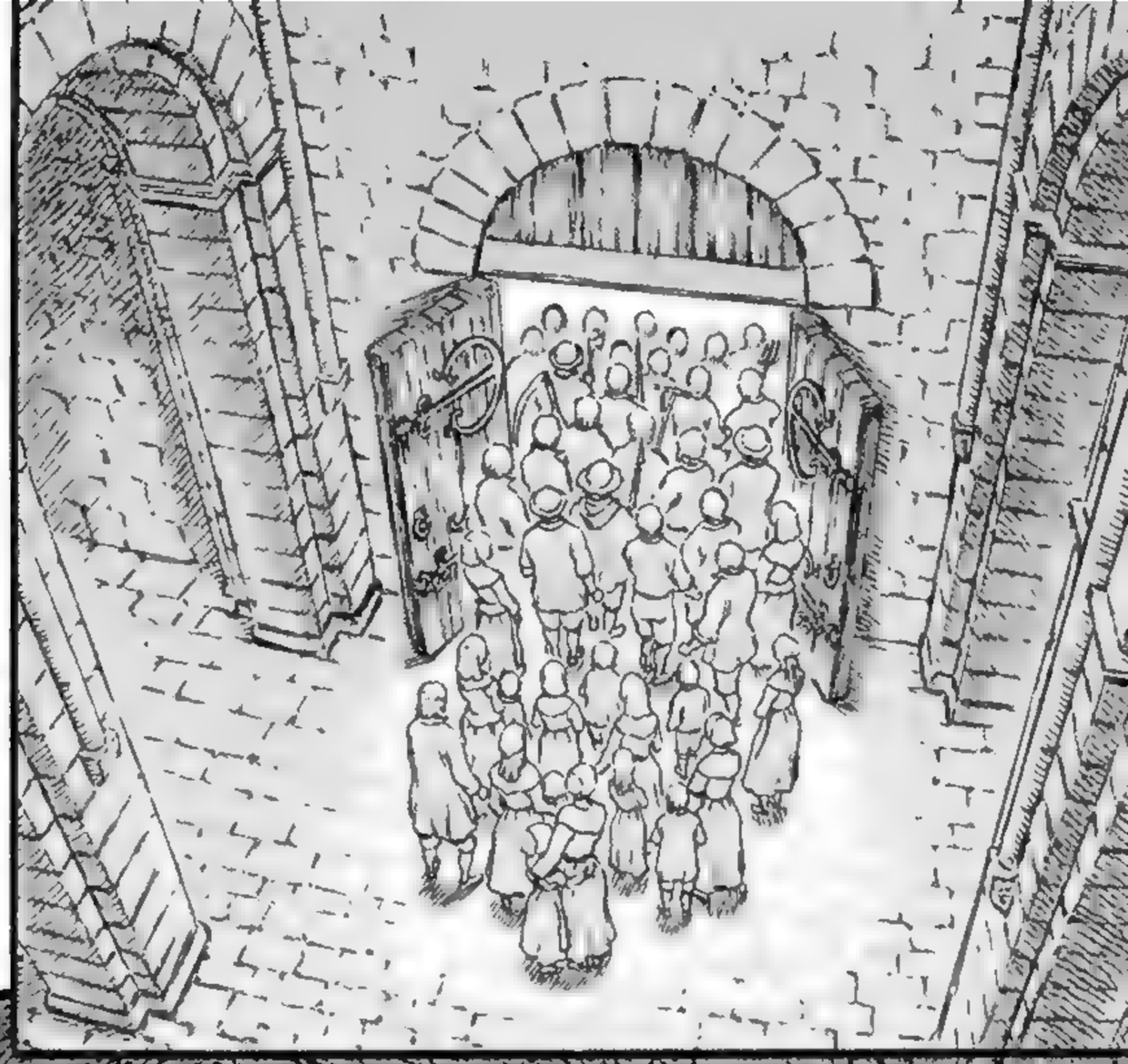

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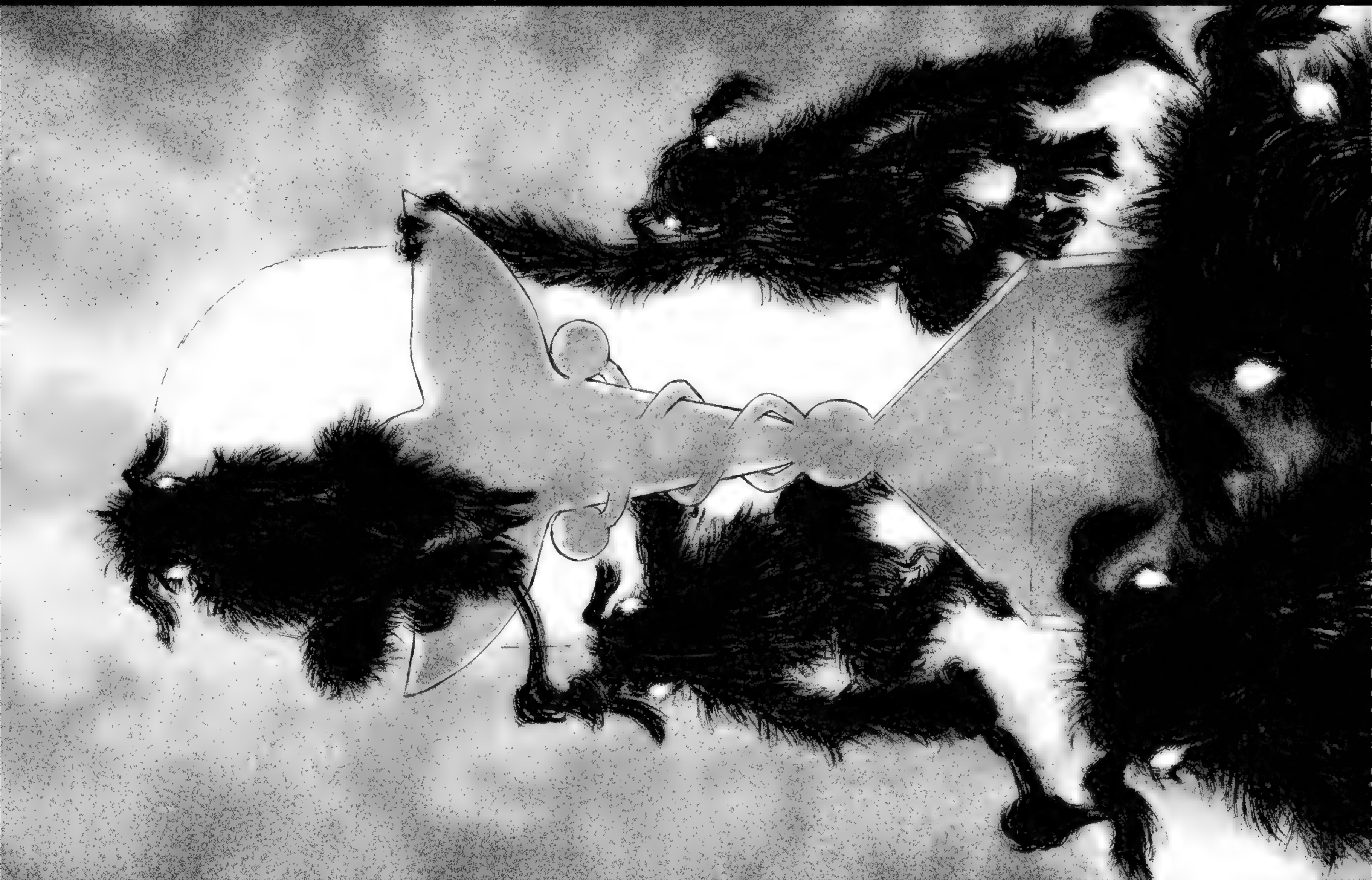

MAGIC
マジック
魔術

BERSERK

*CHNK

*CHOP

*HYNN

*FX· PWIP

スポ・

*VSSH

DARAHH!

*FX: INCH INCH

コ!!

コ!!

*GALV

*GOLP

*BOSSSH

ARE THESE THINGS *REALLY* SPECTERS? THEY REEK OF *SHIT 'N' BLOOD!*

YIIICK.

THAT IS NASTY!

LOOK OUT, LEST YOU BE EATEN.

TORNADO.

*ウアアアアアー

*FX: UWAHHHH

THEY HAVE US PENNED IN!

WHAT GIVES ?!

*LADY FARNESE ?!

*AIEEEE!

CASCA ...!!

*FX: GOF

*FX: GOF

*FX: GEHGEH

*FX: GRIND

I CAN HANDLE THIS ALONE!!

YOU TWO GO!!

TAKE CARE OF THE WOMEN AND THOSE INSIDE!!

*GWAHH

LEAVE A FEW FOR ME!

TCH!

UNDER-STOOD! WE LEAVE IT TO YOU!

*SHHWOSH

SS!

*GOF

*GEF

I CAN'T GET THROUGH, Y'KNOW!!

*BSS BSS

MOVE, STUPID ...!!

*FX: WHMP!

*FX. FWOHH

!

KH...

THEY'RE HERE!

IGH!

*FX: HWRLLLL

...
...
...

*GEH *GEH *GEH *GEH *GEH

*WAHHHH

DAHHH

*WHOOOSH

HE JUST ...

H... HEY, YOU SEE THAT?

NO, HE *FLEW*...

...JUMPED OVER US...

DAMMIT, *ALWAYS* HIM! LET'S SEE SOMEA' WHAT *YOU* GUYS CAN DO!

THAT'S MY AIR FORCE!

EEK!

*BOPH

*FX: SWP

ISIDRO, PLEASE HOLD THE FORT FOR A BIT!!

HAPPY HUNTIN'

WHY?

*TOK

*LOP

I-
I ACCEPT THIS!
I'M NOT AFRAID!

ooo

*FX OMMMM

ボ

ウゥ...

CASCA !!

!

*NGHEEE

ビクッ。

*FX. FLINCH

AGHHH

*DASH

*FX· GRAB

ガッ

*GHEEE

ウウ。

*JSSHZZ

*VYNN

*HHHH

*HHHH

!!

。。。

SCHIERKE...

FOOLISH-NESS...

...GUIDE ME INTO YOUR PRESENCE.

OH, LORD...

*SHHHHH

TCH!

NOW I'M OUT!

*GOP

GUESS THIS'S TOO MUCH FOR AN APPRENTICE...

THE HELL'S *SCHIERKE* DOIN'? SHE'S ALL TALK!

MAN, THERE'S JUST ALWAYS *MORE* OF 'EM!

IT'S PAYBACK TIME.

ROTTEN MOOMIN FREAKS.

*GOF

*GOF

AREN'TCHA STILL TOO INEXPERI-ENCED...?

NOW THERE'S JUST ONE THING TO DO...

THIS'S DO OR DIE!!

DUMBASS!!

GHEE

*FX: VYN

SHARP !!

LOW!!

*FX: SHNN

*FX VYNN

NOW!!

GEHH

OH, CRAP...

I'M BEIN' SWUNG BY THE SWORD...!!

*FX: GWAHH

NOT IN A PLACE LIKE THIS...!!

YOU'RE KIDDING ...!!

FWIP

*WHOCK

.....

!

KH...!

MORGAN !!

OLD MAN!

*SHNK

ああ

*WAHHHH

DAMN THINGS ...!!

*UOHHHH

H-HE'S RIGHT !!

DON'T MAKE A KID AND AN OLD MAN DO IT ALL !!

HEY, YOU GUYS !!

*GYAHHH

OLD MAN!! HEY...!!

LIGHT FOR US THY FLAME OF WARMTH AND PROTECTION...

...SHELTER US HERE AT THIS PLACE.

...I CALL THE FOUR INVISIBLE KINGS TO THIS PLACE.

FIRE.

SKY.

SEA.

LAND.

FROM EMPTY SPACE ...

O BLESSED KING OF THE EAST...

...WHOSE SPIRIT RISES OVER THE MOUNTAINS AS A ZEPHYR...

...AND WHOSE GOLDEN RAIMENT GLEAMS LIKE THE SUN.

FWOFF

ゴゴゴゴ

*OSSSSH

OH BLESSED KING OF THE WEST...

...WHOSE NAME TREMBLES EVEN THE WATER SPIRITS WHO CAPER BENEATH THE WAVES.

OH BLESSED KING OF THE NORTH...

...IT IS FOR THY RULE THAT ALL...

...LIVING BEINGS OF THE EARTH REJOICE.

OH BLESSED KING OF THE SOUTH...

...BRILLIANCE GREATER THAN EVERLASTING FLAME IS THY MAJESTY.

ATEGH.

VEH.

GEDULAH.

GEPLAH.

VEH.

MARKTO.

IN ALL PLACES, MAY WE BE PROTECTED BY THE FOUR SACRED KINGS...

...ALL OUR WOES KEPT DISTANT FROM US.

ORAHM.

LE.

LADY FARNESE !!

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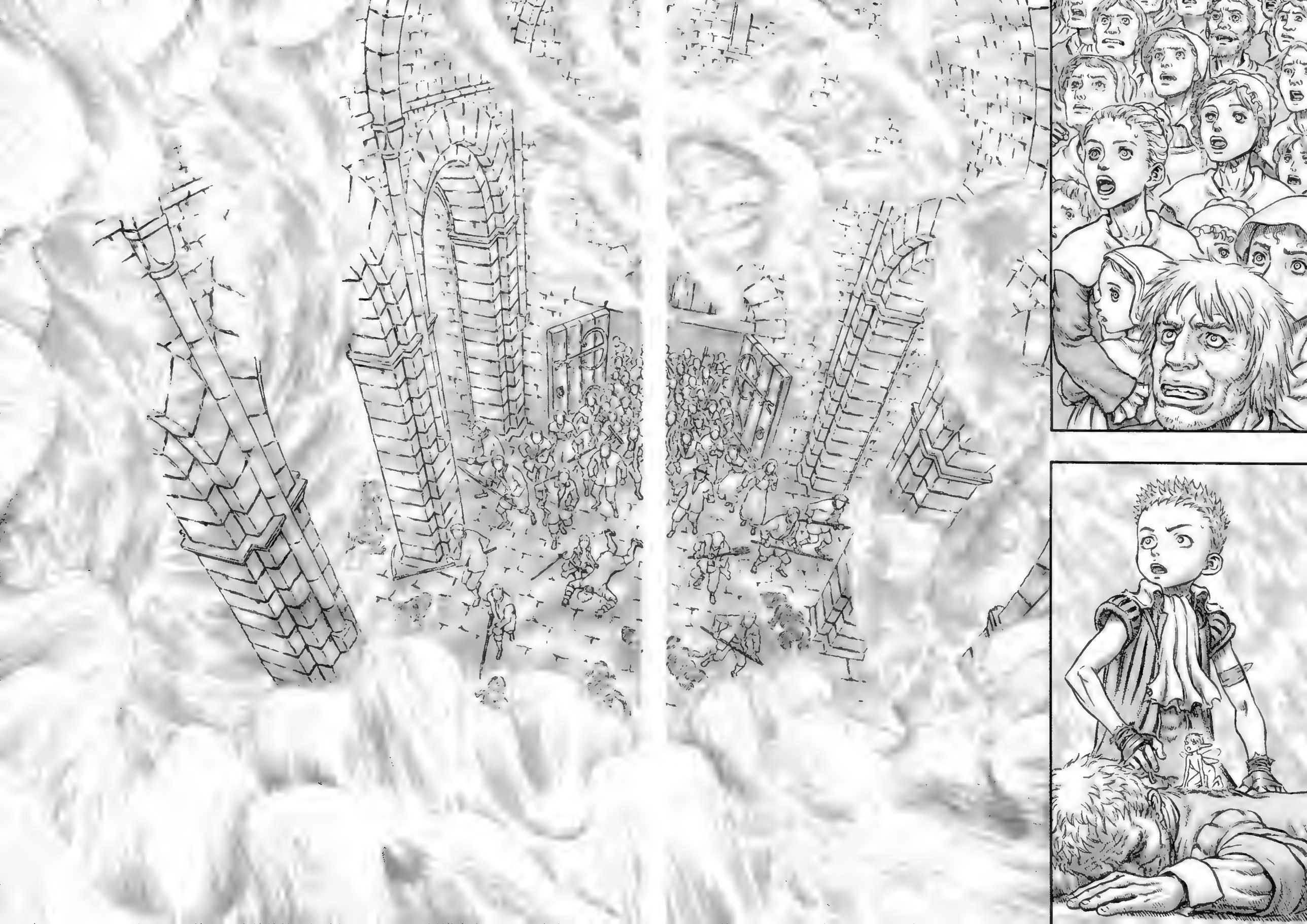
THE ARCANA OF INVOCATION



*SHHHHHH

WHAT'S THIS LIGHT...?!

THEY'RE CRUMBLING ?!

THE TROLLS...!!

THE WOUND'S CLOSIN'!

!

*FX: VEEEEN

IT'S LIKE I'VE POWERED UP TOO!

NOW HE'S GONNA SURVIVE !

ヴイイイーン!!

*HOWWWWN

.....!

...HER MAGIC?!

IS THIS...

*OWWWWWN

UAHH!

SOMEHOW I WAS IN TIME.

WHAT'S HAPPENING ...?!

WH- WHAT...?!

IS THIS SOME-THING *YOU* HAVE DONE?!

WHAT IN--?!

NAAH!

I USED MAGIC TO EXTEND A BULWARK AROUND THE CHURCH.

I TOLD YOU.

...ANY ETHEREAL BEINGS THAT WOULD DO US HARM WITHIN ITS BOUNDARIES ARE EXPUNGED.

AS LONG AS THIS BARRIER DOES NOT VANISH FROM MY SUB-CONSCIOUS...

I...

SUCH HERESY...

IMPOSSI-BLE...

I WON'T ADMIT IT.

M...

MAGIC...

*SHFF

SERVES YA RIGHT.

.....

.....

OHH

IT HAS BECOME MANIFEST IN THE PHYSICAL WORLD.

THIS FOUR-HUED LIGHT...

...IS THE SPIRITUAL POWER OF GREAT BEINGS DEEP WITHIN THE ASTRAL WORLD WHO LOVE AND PROTECT US.

!

...ARE THE FOUR CARDINAL GUARDIAN ANGELS WRITTEN OF IN YOUR HOLY SCRIPTURES.

THOSE GREAT BEINGS...

...THE SUN IS THE SUN, AND LIGHT IS LIGHT.

WHATEVER DIFFERENT WORDS YOU USE TO EXPRESS THEM...

THE MANTRAS CHANTED MAY DIFFER, BUT ARE NOT SOULS IN WANT OF SALVATION ALL THE SAME?

GOD'S NAME BELONGS ONLY TO GOD. IT IS NOT FOR MAN TO CONDUCT.

TO DIVIDE AND OPPRESS PEOPLE BECAUSE OF THOSE DIFFERENCES IS FOLLY.

...IS A *SANCTUARY* WHERE PEOPLE COMMUNICATE WITH ANGELS OR SPIRITS.

A CHURCH ...

BUT WHY?

THEY DO NOT CALL FORTH MIRACLES LIKE YOUR SPELL...

OUR MANTRAS DO NOT HAVE THIS KIND OF POWER!

...CONSTRUCTS THIS SANCTUARY WITHIN HER OWN MIND.

A MAGICIAN ...

WITHIN HER MIND...

...THE MIND IS ALL WITH WHICH WE CAN PERCEIVE THEM.

AS FOR THOSE WHO EXIST AS IDEAS...

...BUT EXISTS WITHIN THE SPIRITUAL WORLD, RIGHT?

THE SPIRIT IS NOT OF THIS MORTAL BODY...

...CONSCIOUSLY ENVISION THE FIGURE OF THE SPIRIT TO BE ADDRESSED...

...DISTINCTLY ENOUGH TO PERCEIVE IT LITERALLY.

REGARDING MAGIC, THE USER MUST ALWAYS...

SO LONG AS THERE IS NO MARGIN OF DOUBT, ONE CAN SEE, FEEL, ***FULLY*** PERCEIVE IT.

IT IS NOT AN ATTEMPT TO ***BELIEVE*** IN SOMETHING ONE CANNOT SEE.

CAN THIS TRULY BE...?

SPIRITUAL PERCEP-TION...

*SHHHHHH

TO SENSE AND BE SENSED, FEEL AND BE FELT, BY THOSE NOT OF THIS WORLD.

YES.

HUMANITY IS CAPABLE OF THIS.

IT BEGINS WITH RECOGNIZING AND CONFRONTING THE COUNTER-PART TO WHOM YOU MUST IMPART YOUR THOUGHTS.

...IS NOT ABOUT SIMPLY CHANTING MANTRAS OR MEDITATING INTENTLY ON YOUR OWN WISHES.

MAGIC... NO...

...THE "ARCANA OF INVOCA-TION"...

BUT THEN...

...AT THE SAME TIME THERE ARE ALSO GREAT DANGERS INVOLVED...

GIGI-GIGIGI

LOOKS LIKE THEY CAN'T ENTER THIS LIGHT.

*GYAHHH

*NGHEE

*GYAHHH

THAT'S ONE *HELL OF A GIRL* UP THERE.

*DMMMM

!

*NGHEEE

*GYOWW

*GYOWW

WHAT'S THAT?

*DMMMM

*FX: DMMMM

*FX: KRAK KRAK

BOSSSHHH.

CLATA.

CLATA.

WHOOM.

WHAT'S THIS THING ...?!

:MOHHHHH

AIIEEE!

WH...

WHAT *IS* THAT?!

...MONS-TER?!

M...

THE TROLLS' DADDY?!

HUH?

WH-
WHAT'S THAT MONSTER ...?!

OGRE!!

*MOOOAHHHH

ボオオアアア

ドオン!

*WHOOM

WHY IS SUCH A THING IN THE PHYSICAL WORLD ...?!

ドオン!

*WHOOM

OHHGOOO

OGRE...

O...

...G...

*DMM

*NGHEE

*GYAW

EEEEK!

IGH...

*DMM

*FX: GYIPE GYAHHN

*FLASH

*AWOHHHN

*JSSHHH ジュウウウ…

IT'S ALL RIGHT.

A MERE OGRE CANNOT PASS THROUGH THIS BARRIER.

FAR OUT ...!!

OHH...

*FX: CLACK

ガシッ

*FX: NGEEE NGEEE

ギィー

ギィー

*FX: DMM

ズル…

*FX: SNEAK

PRETTY DUMB, HUH?

HOW-EVER...

OH, NO...!!

*WHOM

*FX: CHONK

WHAT'S GOIN' ON?

WHOA!

AHH...!

*AGGHHH

ウワアアア

ガ

ガ

*BDUM

*BDUM

...BUT IT HAS NO EFFECT ON PHYSICAL OBJECTS!!

OH, SWELL.

THE BARRIER IS EFFECTIVE AGAINST ETHEREAL BODIES...

SAY WHAT...?

*BOSSHHHH

EVIL HORDE, PART 1

魔群❶

BERSERK

*RMMMBLE

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*RMMMBLE

ゴロ。

*FX: ZZSH

ズズズ。

*FX: CHULP

ナァ。

ガアアアア

*AAAA

*HORRRL

*FX: FWIT

*FX: BLASH

*MOOOAHHH

*DOOOSH

W-WE'RE DONE FOR!!

WITH A MONSTER LIKE *THAT* OUT THERE...!!

.....!!

KH...!

*DM *DM *DM *DM

WE MUST CREATE AN OPENING...!!

A CHANCE FOR ME TO CAST A SPELL !!

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MOHHHH

!

H-HEY.

*FX BLASH

*ZHAAAAAA

ザアアア

UNDER-
STOOD...

...BOSS.

HE'LL BE *TRAMPLED* !

.....!

HE COULDN'T *POSSIBLY* ...

NO, HE WON'T.

!

WHOA, WHOA! WHAT'S HE THINKIN'?!

.....!!

...THIS KINDA THING.

HE'S PRETTY USED TO...

*WHHP

YOU MUSTN'T ...!!

*HYNN

*FX· CHFF

*BANG

*MOHH

*GRAHHH

*LUNGE

*SHHCHA

*GROHHHH

SEE.

*SHOLP

*WHOP

*BLCH

*ZHAA

*VNN

*MOH

*DONNNG

*GOOSH

*VSSSH

*FX: OHHHHHH

A-AMAZIN'!!

HE CUT OFF THE MON-STER'S ARM...!!

SEE? IT'S LIKE I SAID.

WHO IS THAT MAN...?!

U...

UNBELIEV-ABLE!!

AMAZIN'...

FOR REAL...

SEE, LIKE I...

...WITH JUST HIS BODY AND NO MAGIC?!

HOW CAN ONE HUMAN DO THIS MUCH...

IN THAT CASE, GO GET 'EM!

.....!!

...BUT I NEVER EXPECTED *THIS* MUCH.

GOOD GRIEF.

I ALREADY THOUGHT HE WAS SUPER-HUMAN ...

*GRRRR

*SSSSS

NOT LIKE THE TROLLS.

HE'S AS TOUGH AS HE IS HUGE.

*DASH

SO, BEFORE THE ARM FUSES...

*SHRRRL

*DMP

*DMP

*ZHZHAA

WATER ...?!

!

*BLACH

ザアアアア

"ZHAAAAA

"HORRI

ア。。

...A KELPIE!!

THAT'S ...

"FX AH!

"ROW!

OOP! OOP! OOP!

!!

BULL-FROG MY BUTT!

BY "KELPIE," YOU MEAN THE HORSE THAT DROWNS TRAVELERS IN RIVERS...?

NOT JUST AN OGRE, BUT A KELPIE. WHY...?

WHAT GIVES ?!

THE RAIN!!

OH, NO...!!

A MONSTER THAT USES MAGIC?

SO WHAT'S THIS THING?

IT WON'T MEAN MUCH EVEN IF WE *DO* EXORCISE 'EM.

FROM ONE TO THE NEXT.

IT EASILY SUBJUGATES ELEMENTALS OF THE SAME TYPE THAT ARE OF A LOWER GRADE...ONES THAT ARE WITHOUT INDIVIDUALITY!

LOOKS KINDA PLAIN, THOUGH...

A KELPIE IS AN AQUATIC, MID-GRADE SPIRITUAL BEAST!

...IS EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

TCH!

WHEN IT RAINS, IT POURS.

A KELPIE IN THE RAIN...

*MOHHHH

*GYAHH

*FX: BLACH BLACH

*NGEE

*NGEE

*ZMMMM

*FWOSSH

*PLOSH

SERPICO!

SHOWIN' OFF'LL GET YOU KILLED.

I WILL GO.

*ZHA

"H"

*DOSH

THEY MAKE NO DISTINCTION?

HEY, HEY...

*FWOSH

*FX. GYEEE

THEY ARE JUST OBEYING THEIR DESIRES!

THEY WANT TO EAT THE ETHEREAL BODIES OF LIVING HUMANS, WHICH ARE RARE FOR THEM!

THIS IS BAD!

IT'S *ABSURD!* FIGHTING TROLLS IS ONE THING, BUT...

...AN OGRE AND KELPIE ON TOP OF THE TROLLS...!

I DID NOT ANTICI-PATE...

LADY FARNESE.

EH...?

I WILL BUY YOU ADEQUATE TIME, SO USE THAT CHANCE TO CAST YOUR SPELL.

YOU'RE GONNA DIE.

BUT...

IT'S ALL RIGHT.

PLEASE DO YOUR BEST...

...TO TAKE CARE OF CASCA.

RIGHT ...?

OOOO

UH ...?

SER--!!

MORON.

SUICIDE'S NO HELP.

!

WELL THEN ...

*FX TMP

WHOA!

!

...THE SYLPHS THAT WELL IN SUCH A SHORT TIME?!

HE'S MASTERED ...

*FX WHEW

HE F-FL...?

WHEW! NICE ONE.

LADY FARNESE.

NO, I DIDN'T THINK TO TRY.

I WAS UNABLE TO SET YOU FREE.

...ENGULFED IN A DARK REPOSE WITH ANOTHER CLOSED SOUL, LIKE ANOTHER HALF OF ME.

I WAS SIMPLY BESIDE YOU...

...THAT TOO SEEMS AT AN END NOW...

BUT...!!

A WIND, STRONG ENOUGH TO BLOW DOWN EVERYTHING YOU YEARNED FOR.

THEY AREN'T LIKE THE USUAL.

...BECAUSE THE WIND, HAS BLOWN.

BE CAREFUL.

...SEE TO IT THAT MY OTHER HALF ISN'T TORN TO PIECES IN THE STORM.

MY, MY.

WHATEVER THE *USUAL* IS.

AND SO I SHALL AT LEAST...

...GRANT ME POWER.

SPIRITS OF THE WIND...

EVIL HORDE, PART 2

魔群②

BERSERK

ガアアア

*FX: ZOM

*FX: ZOM ZOM

*DSH DSH

*FX: FWASH FWASH

*PLAP

*VYNNNN

*GREHHHH

*FX: ZHASSSH

*FX: BLASSSSH

THAT FROG HORSE IS MY KIND OF OPPONENT. YOU MAY LEAVE IT TO ME.

SUIT YOURSELF.

*KRAK

*KRAK

*KRAK

*MOHHHH

THIS ONE'S MORE MY STYLE. SIMPLER...

*WHOMM

*HEAVE

*FX: KRNCH KRNCH

*FX: WHOM

*CHAHSH

*CHOK

*SPRING

*EEERN

*DSSSSH

:ZHA

*RAHHHHHH

THAT MONSTER...!! ALL BY HIMSELF!!

HE TOOK IT DOWN...!!

A-AMAZING ...!!

OHH...

HE DID IT!

*FX: GEH GEH GEH

*SNAG

*MNCH *MNCH

*GNAIIE

*GROHHH

FIGURES ...

*YIPE

*YAEE

*SHOMM

YOW!

*THNP

...!!

AMENNN.

THUS DOES A SHRIMP SOON EXPIRE.

*SHHHHHH

*NGAIEEE

A TIME LIKE THIS...

...AND I CAN'T DO A THING...?!

DON'T SWEAT IT. YOU'RE ONE FINE SHRIMP, AS SHRIMP GO.

DEAR LORD.

WH-WHAT A SPECTACLE...

YOU MIGHT NOT GET A TURN IF YOU DON'T HURRY.

I MUST MAKE HASTE.

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...STRATUM OF THE ASTRAL WORLD...

!

A LITTLE BEYOND THIS...

DEEPER ...

THIS IS A SANC-TUARY.

THE *ETHEREAL* FORM OF THE *SANC-TUARY...*

...ON THIS HILL BEFORE THE CHURCH WAS BUILT.

!

.....

UNDINES... WATER ELEMEN-TALS.

THE ONES THIS SANCTUARY ENSHRINED.

I SEE.

!

*FWOHHHH

*DSH

*DSH

*DSH

*FX: BLASH BLASH

*FX WHEP

*FX: ZMZM ZMZM

*ZHFAAA

*FX: BYONG

*THAP

*FWASSH

*BWORL ボア

*FX: BLASH BLASH

*FX: PYSSH

*FX: SHMM

*ZHAAAA

*MORRRRL

THOUGH IT CANNOT BE HELPED, ME BEING SO NEW TO MAGIC...

I'M BEING PUSHED AROUND.

ALL OF MY ATTACKS ARE OBSTRUCTED BY THE WALL OF WATER.

THIS IS NO USE...

*FX: PANG

WHO'D HAVE THOUGHT A SPLASH OF WATER COULD PACK SUCH A PUNCH...?

CON-VERSELY, I CANNOT HOPE TO DEFEND AGAINST ALL ATTACKS.

*FX: ZMZM

*ROLLL

!

*FX: GALP

CAN'T BREATHE ...!!

WHAT THE...?!

WHAT'S WITH SERPICO ...?!

?!

...!!

*GLUB

ゴボ…

SERPICO !!

*FX DROP

*INCH

*INCH

*INCH

*FX HORRRRRL

ガ…

*FWASSSH

*NGEE

*KOFF

*HORRT

*BISH

*BISH

WELL, WELL.

I VERY NEARLY DROWNED ON LAND.

SPOUTING WATER IS NOT YOUR ONLY TRICK.

...I BESEECH THEE...

SPIRITS ...

THE WIND IS CAPABLE OF MORE THAN SLASHING GUSTS...

BUT NOW I UNDER-STAND...

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*FWOOOSH

*FX: ZHASSSH

*FX: WHRRRRL

ヒュルルル・ルルルルルル

*RORRRL

ボアアア

*YIPE

ギャイン!

*GYAH

ギャッ

*HORL

ギョ?

IF I CANNOT CUT THROUGH IT...

...I WILL SIMPLY BLOW IT AROUND.

*FX HORRL

激流

RAGING TORRENT

*HEEERRR!

...!!

*FWASSH

SERPICO !!

*FX ZBLASSSH

*FX: KRRRAK

*FX: BORRRL

*FX NGEEE NGEEE

GUH...

*BLACH

*ZORRRRM

I WAS CARELESS ...!!

*FX: GORRRR

*SHMM

OH CRAP!! SERPICO'S IN--

!

*FX: ZHFAA

TCH!

*WHNK

YOU'LL FALL, FOOL!!

SER--

*SHM

*SHM

*SHM

.....!!

*SHOOOSH

*DSH

*DSH

*DSH

*DSH

*DSH

?!

?!

HORI!!

ZHAAAAAA

?!

THE WATER'S FLOWING AWAY FROM THE KELPIE?!

*ZHOOOOOM

*NGEEE

*GYAH!

*NGEE

*BLOOSH

*FX ZHAAAA

*GYAW

*FX: ZZZSSHHHH

HUH ?!

WHAT'S--

WATER SPOUTS ON THE TROLLS ?!

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*PLAAAP

*PLIIIP

パシャー…!

*PLAAASH

ピチャー…

*PLAAAP

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.....

I-IS THIS ALSO SORCERY ?!

WHAT'S THAT...?!

WH-WHAT ...?!

WHAT ARE WE SEEING?!

RIGHT NOW SCHIERKE'S BECOME ONE WITH THE SPIRIT. IT'S CALLED ***POSSESSION*** OR SOMETHIN'.

THAT'S A ***WATER SPIRIT.***

*SHAAAAA

AN ANGEL ...?!

WHAT'S THAT...?!

HEY ...!!

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ANCIENT OATH DO I CLEANSE THIS LAND OF THE EVIL SPIRITS THAT WOULD STAIN IT.

I AM OF THE WATER KIN, THE SPIRIT OF THE RILL THAT DOTH FLOW THROUGH THIS LAND.

WITH A RAGING TORRENT, WASH AWAY INTO THE DARK DEPTHS OF THE NETHERWORLD THE WICKED SPIRITS THAT FILL THIS LAND.

IN THE NAME OF THE LADY OF THE DEPTHS, I COMMAND THE UNDINES.

WATER...

...WATER...

I AM...

THE WATER.

IN AND OF ITSELF.

THAT WHICH GATHERS AND FLOWS THROUGH THIS RILL.

GATHER...

...MY KINDRED.

...

GATHER

...

...

SWELL

...

...SURGE...

...AND FLOW.

*BRMMMMBL

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...THIS SEEMS BAD.

SOME-HOW...

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*FX: BRMM BRMM

*BRMM

...NOW WHAT ?!

N...

*BRMM

GROUND TREMOR ?!

?!

*FX: SWAY

WHAT'S SHE--?

*SWAY

*SWAY

SHE'S TOTALLY GONE WATER SPI-- NO, **WATER.**

AH HH....!!

!

NGEEE

NGEEE

THAT'S DAN-GER-OUS ...!

HEY!

...AND COMIN' THIS WAY!!!

IT'S OVER-FLOWIN'...

TH-THE RIVER ...?!

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*FX ROARRR

*FX ROARRR

HSSSOHS.

THIS IS MAGIC!!

*FX RORRRR

*FX RORRRR

:GYAHHH

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:RORRRRR

:GWEH

:GWEH

H-HEY, YOU...!!

ZHA

!

M-MY HOUSE ...

LOOK!! THE TROLLS ARE BEIN' WASHED AWAY!!

:MOHHHHH

ドドド

LUNGE

SHONK

RORRRRR

*SHNK

*FX HIRRRL

*ZHAAAAAAA

*EHOH

.....

DRO-PEY?

YOU'LL BE SWEPT AWAY!!

GET INSIDE, BOY!!

RORRRRRR

SHAMAN

シャーマン

BERSERK

HI

*WHOOMP

*RORRRRR

WELL, I'LL BE DAMNED ...

*ZHAAAAA

*DOOOOOSH

ドドド

*FWOHHM

WITCH...

.....

ITCHUU CHUU.

DROPEY ...?

WE DID IT, DROPEY!

.....

*FX: RORRRRR

*FX: DOOOOOSH

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.....

STILL ...

WHEWW...

FINALLY.

IT SEEMS TO HAVE ENDED.

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SCHIERKE, THAT'S ENOUGH.

LOOKS LIKE YOU GOT 'EM ALL.

...

WHAT IS WRONG ?

OH OH.

NOT GOOD.

HEY.

HUH?

SCHIERKE ?

...LITTLE PROBLEM.

MAYBE.

WE'VE GOT A...

WHAT WILL HAP-PEN?

AT THIS RATE ...

THIS IS BAD. HER ALIGNMENT WITH THE WATER SPIRIT IS TOO STRONG, SHE'S BECOME MESMERIZED.

*TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP

? PROB--

WHAT?

EEEK! NO, DON'T!

SCHIERKE !!

...D'YOU KNOW WHAT'LL HAPPEN ?!

IF YOU JOLT HER OUTTA A SPELL...

SHE CAN'T END THE SPELL?!

!

YUP.

SCHIERKE'S IN THE *ASTRAL WORLD* RIGHT NOW.

JOLT HER OUT?

IF SHE WERE TO BE WOKEN BEFORE HER MIND RETURNS, IT'D AFFECT HER BODY, TOO... IF WE'RE NOT CAREFUL, IT MIGHT *NOT* RETURN AND THEN SHE'D BE AN INVALID!!

SHE'S BECOME ONE WITH THAT WATER SPIRIT YOU SAW AND NO DOUBT MERGED INTO THIS FLOW!!

OH! OH YEAH! THIS!

TAP THIS WAND IN TIME!

*SPIN

UMMM... UMMM...

I'M PRETTY SURE, WHEN THIS HAPPENS ...

THEN WHAT SHOULD WE DO?!

THE RHYTHM'S 7-7-7 TIME!

SEVEN THREE TIMES.

*TOK

*FLUTTER

I NEVER REALLY GOT WHY.

...OR THAT'S WHAT FLORA SAID.

TAP THE WAND AT A SET RHYTHM TO CAUSE THE CASTER'S CONSCIOUSNESS TO FOCUS ON THIS WORLD...

SURGE.

FURI-
OUSLY.

FLOW.

ANGER
?

JOY?

INTENSE
WELLING
EMOTIONS.

IRRITAT-
ING.

INEX-
PRESSIBLE
IN HUMAN
WORDS.

HASTE.

IN-
TENSE.

FORCE.

ROAR.

I
EGO
SELF
ALONE
INDIVIDUAL
AM...

...CURRENT
WATER
RAPIDS
STREAM
RIVER...

TOK

TOK

TOK

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TOK

TOK

TOK

MAKING YOUR MIND ONE WITH A SPIRIT IS VERY IMPORTANT...

...BUT YOU MUSTN'T BE ENGULFED BY IT.

YOU MUST RETAIN YOUR OWN CONSCIOUSNESS.

TOK

...IS NEVER TO BECOME ONE WITH SUCH A FORCE.

THE WAY OF MAGIC...

TOK

WHAT'S THIS?

FOR THIS REASON, A MAGIC USER SOUNDS HER WAND DURING A SPELL.

TOK

LISTEN, SCHIERKE.

TOK

SOUND ...

TOK

DON'T FORGET...

...THE WAY OF MAGIC...

TOK

TOK

I--

THAT'S RIGHT...

UGH...

!

SCHIERKE!

*SHOSSH

*CHONK

SCHIERKE?

HEY! WHAT'S GOIN' ON?!

OH?

ドン。

*WHMP

EEEK!

....!

!

GRAB HOLD!!

*BLASSH

OH NO...

WHAT'RE YOU DOIN'?! GET IT TOGETHER, WITCH!

THIS'LL WAKE HER UP!

H-HEY YOU TWO!

*F.WSS

*LIFT

?

!

BINK

GRAB IT...!!

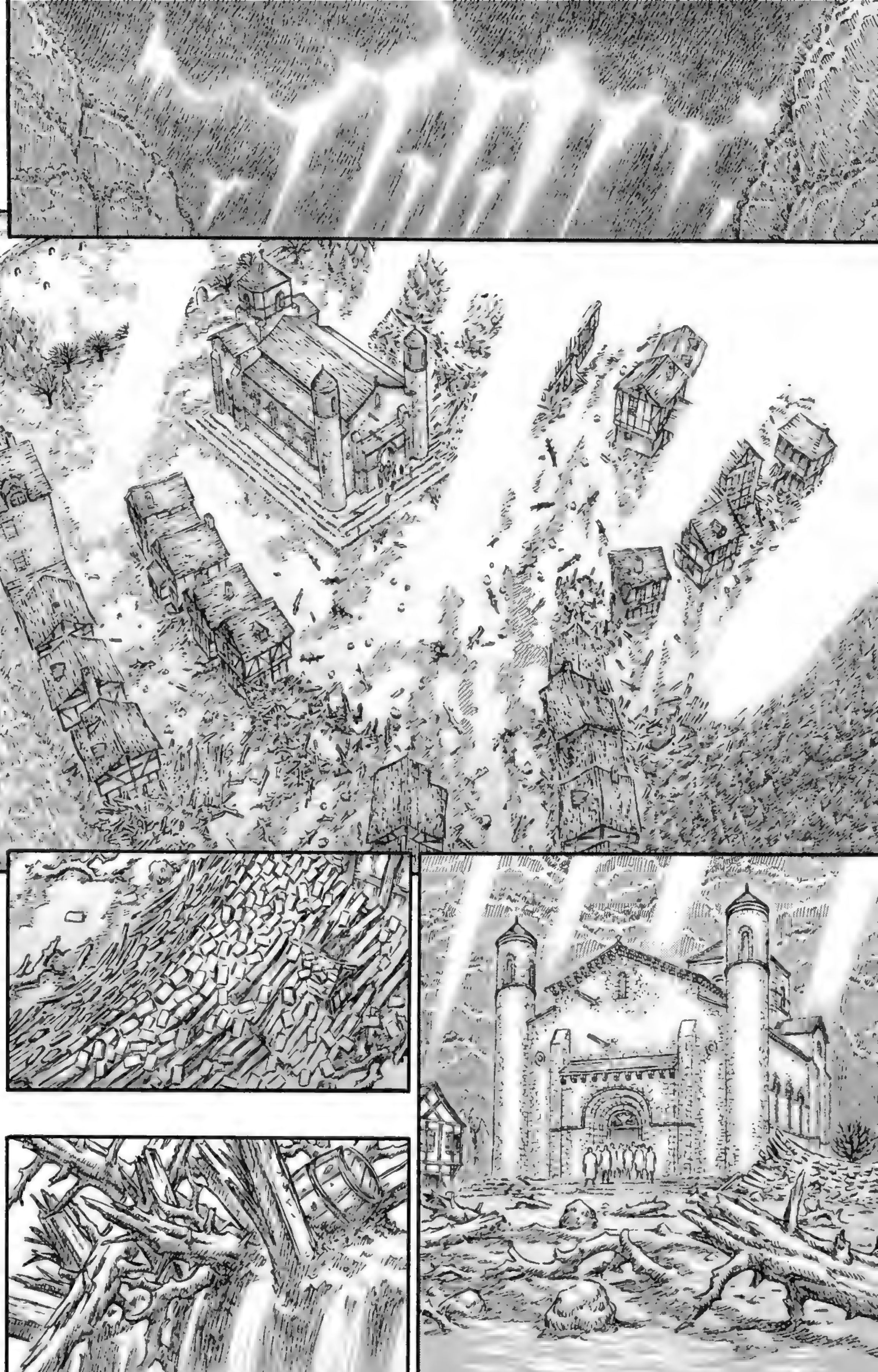
*WSSSH

!

*FX: ZHAAAAAA

*FX: RORRRRRRR

FARNESE...!



IT'S ALL OVER.

...IT'S OVER.

*FX: RAHHHHHHHH

I DON'T SEE 'EM ANYWHERE.

WELL?

NOPE.

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LADY FARNESE...

THEY WERE CLINGIN' TO THE LOG, SO I'M SURE THEY'RE SAFE.

.....

IT'S OKAY.

THEY STILL HAVE NOT BEEN FOUND, THEN...

YOU SHOULDN'T MOVE YET!

RIGHT NOW SCHIERKE'S SEARCHIN' FOR THEIR OD.

...RE-SPONSI-BILITY.

THEY'RE MY...

BECAUSE I ABANDONED MYSELF TO A FORCE.

...JUST BEEN MORE STABLE!!

IF I'D...

HEY.

DON'T BE SO TENSE.

IF YOU'RE THAT TENSE...

...YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO DO WHAT YOU NORMALLY CAN.

YOU DID A GOOD JOB.

Y'THINK?

HONESTLY, I WAS SURPRISED.

YOU SAVED THIS VILLAGE.

EVEN IF IT ***WAS*** A LITTLE ROUGH.

NOBODY BLAMES YOU FOR ANYTHING.

YUP, YUP.

WE'RE MUCH BETTER THAN THAT DUMBASS DUO.

.....

...WE'RE AT YOUR SERVICE ... ... MISS WITCH.

THAT BEING SAID...

SHE CALLED YOU GUYS DUMBASSES. PRICELESS!

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I MEANT YOU AND HIM.

*FX: HEE HEE

THEY ARE BOTH UNHARMED!

REALLY ?!

!

I SENSE THEIR OD!

I-I FOUND THEM!

WHAT'S WRONG ?

BUT WHAT'S THIS...?

?!

闇(クリフォト)
OLIPHOTH

THANK YOU...

...MISTRESS WITCH!

THANK YOU!

THE SAVIOR OF ENOCH VILLAGE!!

THE GREAT WITCH OF SPIRIT TREE FOREST!!

UM...

UH...

I BORROWED THE POWERS OF ANGELS AND SPIRITS.

BE THANK-FUL.

COVERING THE CHURCH IN LIGHT, MAKING FLOODS...

HEYYY, HOW IN THE WORLD CAN YOU GET TO DO THOSE AMAZING THINGS ?

EH?!

UM... WELL...

...WERE THE FOUR ARCHANGELS IN YOUR SCRIPTURES THAT GUARD NORTH, SOUTH, EAST, AND WEST.

WHAT SAVED THIS VILLAGE...

...THE *"LADY OF THE DEPTHS."*

A RIVER SPIRIT CALLED...

...AND ONE WHOSE SHRINE WAS ON THIS LAND EVEN BEFORE YOUR CHURCH.

THEM...

SEEMS LONG AGO THERE WAS A SHRINE TO THE RIVER GOD ON THIS HILL.

OH YES, I HEARD TALK OF HER FROM MY GREAT GRANDPA.

BUT IF SHE'S AN ANGEL, WE PRAY EVERY DAY.

I DON'T KNOW HER.

THE DEPTHS ...?

THUS YOUR VILLAGE SAW SO MUCH WATER DAMAGE... BECAUSE OF MY INEXPERI-ENCE.

BECAUSE SHE HAD BEEN FORGOTTEN FOR SO LONG AND WAS THEN SUDDENLY CALLED UPON, THE RIVER SPIRIT ACTED ROUGHLY.

SO WHAT? THEY WERE DUMPS ANYWAY.

THAT'S NO CONCERN.

HOUSES CAN BE REBUILT.

THE FACT THAT WE'RE STILL ALIVE IS THANKS TO YOU.

THAT'S NOT THE WHOLE STORY.

THE ANGER INSIDE ME TOWARD THE VILLAGERS...

...ALLOWED IT TO HAPPEN.

.....

FAIR ENOUGH.

TOLERANCE, TOO...

...IS GOD'S TEACHING.

...MIGHT YOU BUILD A SMALL SHRINE...

...TO THE RIVER SPIRIT IN THE WESTERN QUARTER OF THIS PLAZA?

FATHER.

IF YOU COULD...

ARE YOU GOING TO BECOME A WITCH OR SOME-THING?

OH! THAT MIGHT BE NICE.

EITHER WAY, MAYBE I'LL SKIN SOME TROLL PELTS.

WILL IT REALLY BE THAT SIMPLE?

LEARNING MAGIC REQUIRES EXTENSIVE TRAINING...

...BUT IF YOU WANT ANGELS AND SPIRITS TO HEAR YOUR WISHES, THERE ARE THINGS ANYONE CAN DO.

...MAKES MIRACLES LIKE THAT HAPPEN!

A CHILD LIKE YOU...

WHAT AN ASTONISH-MENT, THOUGH!

IS MAGIC SOME-THING ANYONE CAN USE?

...IS WELL ACQUAINTED WITH THE WAY HOW.

YOUR PRIEST ...

...THE FIGURE OF THE ANGEL IN YOUR MIND, EH?

VISUALIZE...

MHM...

LEAVE ME ALONE.

FEH!

WHAT'S WRONG, SON?

...I OWE YOU SOME THANKS.

I GUESS RIGHT NOW...

WALKIN' AROUND ALREADY?

WHAT ABOUT YOU, OLD MAN?

I'M A LOT BETTER OFF THANKS TO THAT LITTLE ONE.

YEAH.

I DIDN'T DO A *DAMN* THING!

FEH! CUT THAT OUT!

FROM A HERO WHO SAVED THE VILLAGE ...?

THANKS?

I *CAN'T* DO ANY-THING.

I JUST MAKE NOISE AND RUN IN CIRCLES.

I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING.

I'M A *KID!*

HMPH!

.....

MY OLD MAN WON IT IN A BET WITH A SAILOR LONG AGO.

WHAT'S THIS?

?

THERE WAS SOMETHING I WANTED TO PASS ALONG.

AH, YES.

BEING SMALLER, IT SHOULD BE EASIER FOR YOU TO HANDLE.

...WANDERED INTO THE FOREST THAT TIME.

...WHY I...

I REMEMBERED...

I'D TOSSED IT UP INTO THE RAFTERS.

HECK...

YOU SURE?

THINK OF IT AS A PARTING GIFT FROM THE OLD TO THE YOUNG.

FROM ALL THOSE WEIGHTY, TROUBLESOME THINGS.

...MY AILING MOTHER.

FROM THIS VILLAGE, WORK...

I RAN AWAY.

I RAN AWAY.

...BUT ALSO OPPORTUNE ESCAPES.

THEY CAN MAKE FOR COURAGEOUS CHALLENGES...

DREAMS'RE FUNNY THINGS.

...

HEH!

THAT'S WHY I CAN'T STAND OLD PEOPLE.

ANOTHER OLD STORY TO TRY TO SWAY THE YOUNG?

WHICH OF THE TWO IS YOUR DREAM?

IF, AT THAT TIME...

...I WONDER WHAT I'D HAVE DONE?

...I HADN'T MET HER...

...WARM 'N' FUZZY KIDDY DREAM STUFF YOU TALK ABOUT!

IT'S ON A DIFFERENT LEVEL THAN THAT...

LISTEN, OLD MAN!

I TOLD YA, MINE'S AN AMBITION!

THAT MINE'S THE REAL DEAL.

I'LL PROVE IT.

.....

...I'LL GLADLY TAKE THIS!

THAT BEIN' SAID...

HOW IS HE?

...BUT HE CAN'T MOVE RIGHT AWAY.

IT'S NOTHIN' FATAL...

...WE HAVEN'T THE TIME TO WAIT...

HOW-EVER...

RIGHT AWAY.

PLEASE, GO.

IF YOU SPEND THE NIGHT, YOUR WOUND SHOULD HEAL.

THE EFFICACY OF THE SPELL STILL HAS NOT TOTALLY LEFT THIS CHURCH.

LADY FARNESE...

...IS IN YOUR CARE.

CODOLD.

...

WE'LL BE BACK.

*FX: GCHAK

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*FX: GCHAK

ガチャ。

...

*ZHA

ガチャ。

*FX: CLENCH

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WE'LL LEAVE YOU.

DON'T JUST STAND THERE.

HEY.

I AM FOLLOWING THE RESIDUAL THOUGHTS OF THE TROLLS. THERE IS NO MISTAKE.

RESIDUAL ...?

YOU *SURE* THEY'RE IN THIS DIRECTION ?

YOU TWO DO YOUR BEST TO WATCH OUT TOO.

BECAUSE THEY WOULD BE A HIN-DRANCE.

OH REALLY, 'ZAT SO?

DUMB

ASS

*HRRNN

WEREN'T WOMEN AND CHILDREN FROM THE VILLAGE TAKEN TO THIS TROLLS' DEN?

WHY'D YOU TURN DOWN THE VILLAGERS' OFFER TO LEND A HAND ?

HEY.

I CANNOT TAKE AWAY MORE FROM WHAT FEW OF THEM ARE LEFT.

BESIDES, NOTHING SAYS THE REMAINING TROLLS WILL NOT AGAIN ATTACK THE VILLAGE.

THAT IS NOT QUITE POSSIBLE.

ONCE THE OWNER OF A FETISH IS ESTABLISHED, THE SPIRITS ARE NOT LIKELY TO GRANT THEIR POWERS TO ANOTHER.

BESIDES, SERPICO SEEMS TO HAVE BECOME FIRMLY ATTACHED TO THE SYLPHS.

I'M THE WIND LEADER!

AT LEAST WE COULDA BORROWED SOME WIND GOODS FROM SERPY.

THEN I COULDA BEEN HURRICANE PUCK...

HEY.

HAVE YOU PICKED UP ON ANY MORE THOUGHTS FROM THEM?

WELL, NOT YET.

WELL AREN'T THEY EASY-GOING.

I HAVE CALLED TO THEM MANY TIMES, BUT THEY SEEM TO BE UNCONSCIOUS.

BUT THEY ARE ALL RIGHT.

I CANNOT SENSE ANY DISTURBANCES IN THEIR OD CAUSED BY HARM TO THEM.

AS LONG AS THEY WEAR THOSE SILVER SHIRTS...

...IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE TROLLS TO TOUCH THEM DIRECTLY.

.....

Y'KNOW, THOUGH ...

WAIT.

IT'S LIKE THE COMPLETE OPPOSITE OF WHEN WE GOT TO THE WITCHES' MANSION.

HAVEN'T THE SURROUNDIN'S BEEN GETTIN' GRADUALLY WEIRDER SINCE BACK THERE?

YEAH, REALLY.

...CE?
FA...
WHA ...?
GLOOOOM.
LEAVE IT TO ME, PLEASE.
*FX: MEEEE
*FX: MEE

QLIPHOTH.

THE ASTRAL WORLD'S REGION OF DARKNESS.

WH-WHAT WAS THAT?! FACE... FACE?!

A SPIRIT CREATURE.

MIGHT MAKE A GOOD PET.

FACE MAN.

YES...

REALLY? I THINK THE THING'S LAUGHABLE.

JUST AS I FEARED ...

THIS IS THE ASTRAL WORLD, AND NOT A VERY NICE PART.

AS YOU FEARED?

QLIPHOTH ...

THE VAST EXTENT OF THE ASTRAL WORLD...

...COMPRISES MANY REGIONS, EACH WITH ITS OWN CHARACTERISTIC ATMOSPHERE.

WARM ODS WOULD BE DRAWN TOWARD WARMTH...

ETHEREAL BODIES TEND TO GRAVITATE TOWARD ODS OF THE SAME NATURE.

...THE DARKNESS WHERE HEARTS STEEPED IN DARKNESS CONGREGATE ...

CONVERSELY, THIS PLACE HERE...

...THAT IS *QLIPHOTH.*

THE ASTRAL AND PHYSICAL WORLDS...

...SO DISTINCTLY OVERLAPPING EACH OTHER...

NORMALLY THIS COULD NOT HAPPEN.

*MEE

*EEE!

HAAA!

WE'D MAKE A KILLIN' IF WE TRAINED THAT.

...THEN ?

WHAT'LL HAPPEN ?

...BUT ...

I DO NOT KNOW ...

THEY WERE ORIGINALLY INHABITANTS OF OUR MENTAL WORLD... IN NOCTURNAL DREAMS AND FANTASIES. IF THEY WERE TO END UP EXISTING IN THE PHYSICAL WORLD...

ETHEREAL LIFE-FORMS ARE BEING PERCEIVED BY HUMANS ALMOST AS IF THEY HAD PHYSICAL BODIES...

TROLLS AND OGRES. ELVES AND SPIRIT CREATURES.

YEEEHA!

HO HO HO HO

*MEEMEE みみ

*MEEMEE みみ

...WITH THE APPEARANCE OF A CERTAIN PERSON.

...ALREADY STARTED HAPPENING...

PERHAPS, IT HAS...

...THE WORLD WOULD BE TRANS-FORMED.

NO...

TAINT
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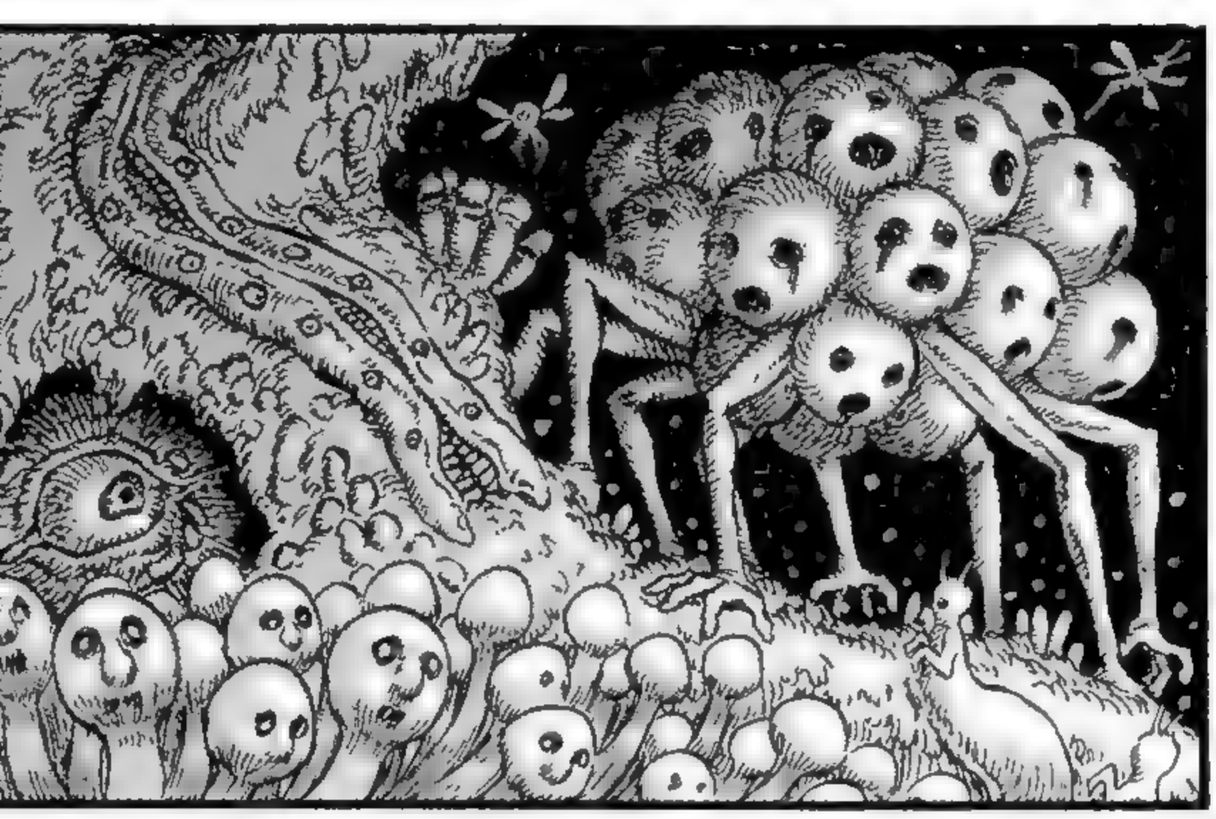
BERSERK



THIS IS IT.
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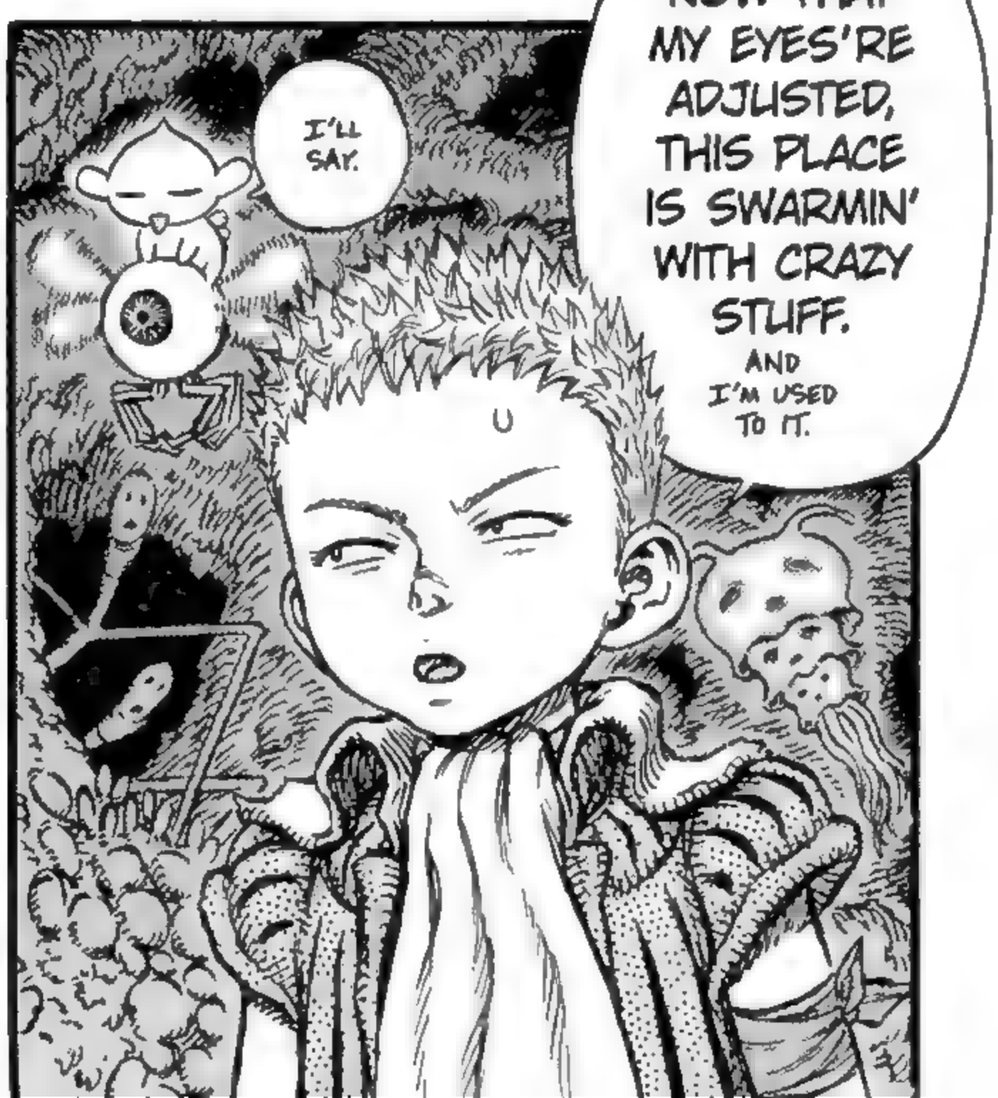

I'LL SAY.
NOW THAT MY EYES'RE ADJUSTED, THIS PLACE IS SWARMIN' WITH CRAZY STUFF.
AND I'M USED TO IT.

INSIDE HERE IS THE TROLLS' DEN.

...EVEN MORE BAD NEWS.

LOOKS LIKE...

CASCA...

I WILL TRY CALLING THEM AGAIN.

WHERE ...?

!

UNH...

OH, RIGHT. I...

NN...

HOH!

CASCA ...!!

THANK GOOD-NESS! I FINALLY REACHED YOU!

OOEE

SCHIERKE !!

CASCA!!

FARNESE!!

ARE YOU BOTH UN-HARMED ?

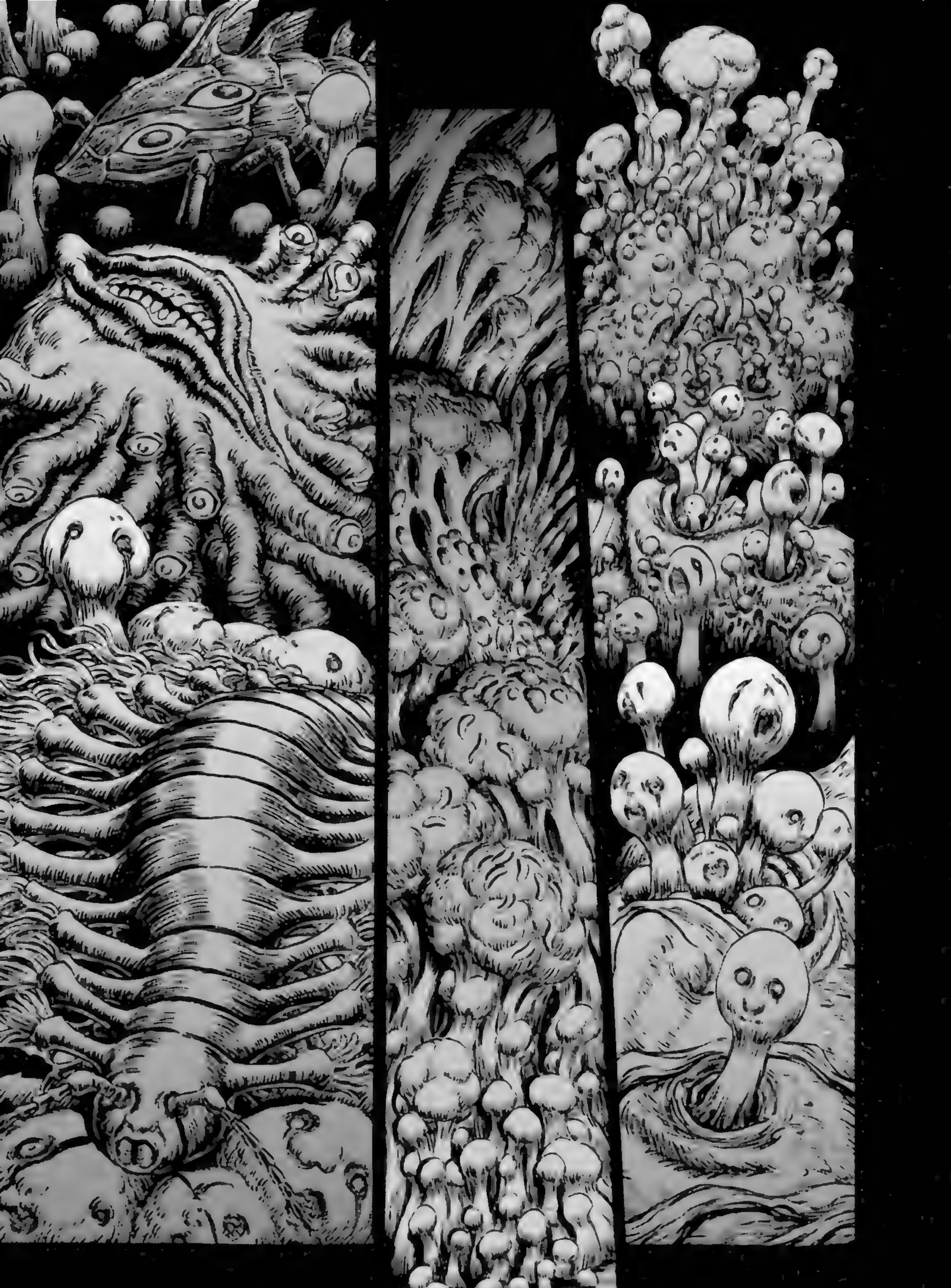
YES...

THE AIR IS STAGNANT...

AUUU

INCIDEN-TALLY, WHERE IN THE WORLD ...?

*FX: PLASH



IT SEEMS SHE WAS SHOCKED BY THE SURROUND-ING SCENE...!

WHAT'S WRONG ?!

FARNESE'S OD IS SUDDENLY DISTURBED ...!

WHOA!

ANYWAY, LET US HURRY!!

AS LONG AS YOU WEAR THE SILVER SHIRTS, NO HARM WILL COME TO YOU!!

FARNESE, PLEASE CALM DOWN!!

EASY FOR YOU TO SAY!

E...

QUICKLY!

CASCA, CLIMB!

AIII

!

*FX: POKE

IGH!

KH...

*VYNN

*ZHFF

*ZHFF

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!

IT WAS...

YES ...

*FX: OOOO

*ZHA

*WHEHHH

?!!

IT WAS NOTHING.

*SQUEEZE

.....

BATHUMP

I'M WIELDING A BLADE...

...FOR THE SAKE OF PROTECTING SOMEONE ELSE...

WHAT ...?

*FX HUFF HUFF

ビク *FLINCH

ヒィィィィ

*FX IGGGHHH

WH...

WHAT THE...?

DON'T ATTRACT THEIR ATTENTION !!

PLEASE, REMAIN CALM!!

DON'T MOVE FROM THERE!!

*FX BLOOSH

*FX: TOSS

*FX ZHFF ZHFF

*ZHFF

*FX: SWARM SWARM

HELP ...

*ZHFF

MMG!

...!

HE... LP...

UNGH...

AH...

AH...

GH...

GHH!

STOPPP...

N...

NO...

*FX: AAAA

AH!

UM...

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EEEEE!!

"POFFF

"GYAH

*SHLORP

*AIIIEEEE

あああ

BERSERK

STOP

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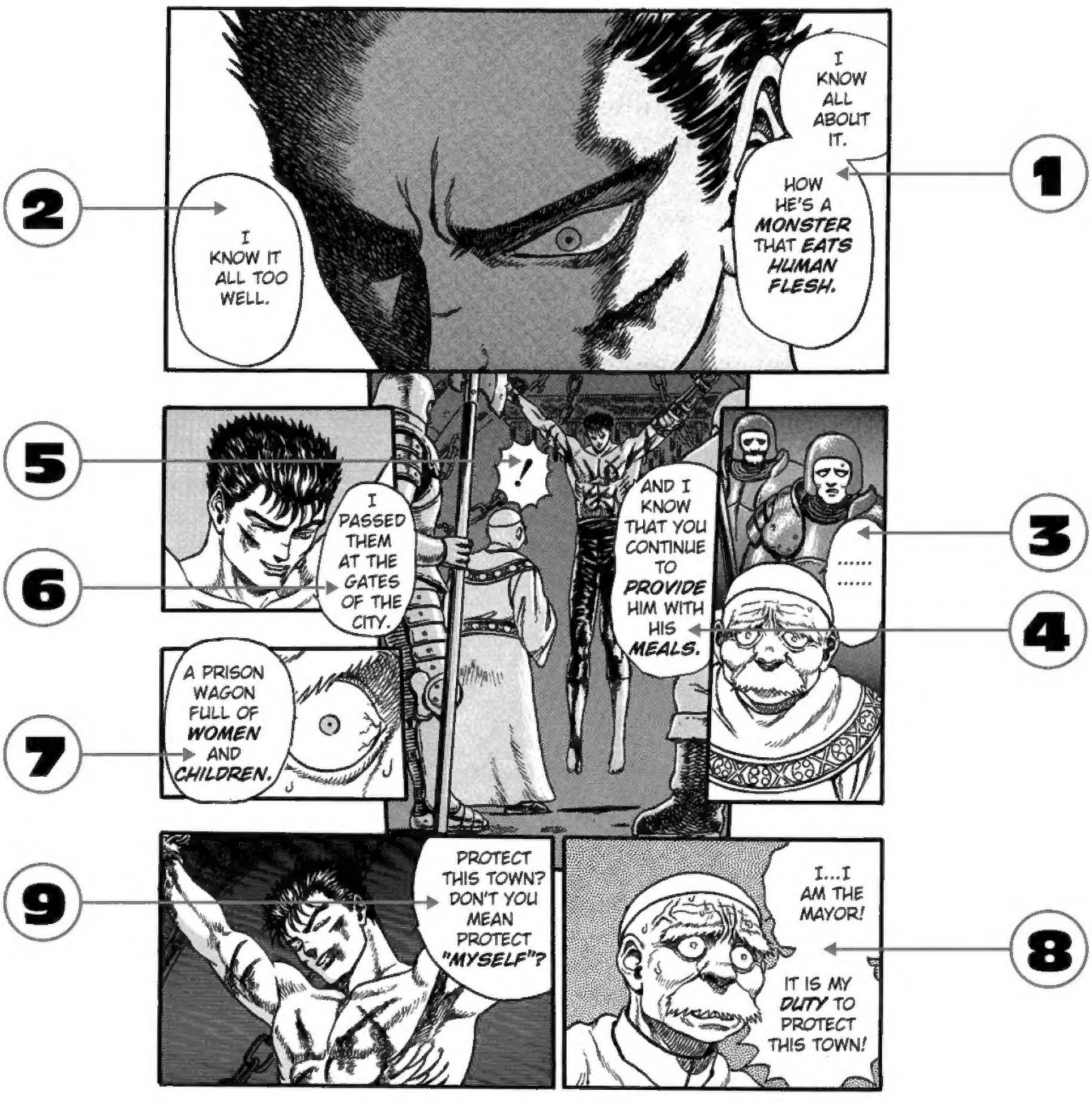

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